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**SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statements filed September 19, 2002 and October 21, 2003, and in accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants hereby bring the following additional information to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application:

U.S. Patent No. 6,734,214 to Shigeo TAKADA et al., which is a national stage of PCT/IB00/01112, filed August 9, 2000, and which published as WO 01/10451 A1, accompanied by family member EP 1213021 A1.

U.S. Application No. 10/070,436 to Mikio WATANABE et al., which was previously cited in the disclosure statement filed September 19, 2002, is a national stage of PCT/JP00/06398, filed September 20, 2000, and which published as WO 01/21612 A1, accompanied by family member EP 1219616 A1.

U.S. Application No. 10/070,434 to Shigeo TAKADA et al., which is a national stage of PCT/JP00/06400, filed September 20, 2000, and which published as WO 01/21182 A1, accompanied by family member EP 1224936 A1.

U.S. Application No. 10/088,523 to Shigeo TAKADA et al., which is a national stage of PCT/JP00/06704, filed September 28, 2000, and which published as WO 01/24802 A1, accompanied by family member EP 1219297 A1

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0083368 A1, which is a family member of WO 01/54705 A1.

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0072735 A1, which is a family member of WO 01/39782 A1.

U.S. Application No. 10/451,786 to Masahiro MURAKAMI et al., which is a national stage of PCT/JP02/00079, filed January 10, 2002, and which published as WO 02/055091, accompanied by family member EP 1358885 A1.

U.S. Application No. 10/451,787 to Masahiro MURAKAMI et al., which is a national stage of PCT/JP02/00078, filed January 10, 2002, and which published as WO 02/055090 A1, accompanied by family member EP 1358884 A1.

U.S. Application No. 10/466,541 to Masahiro MURAKAMI et al., which is a national stage of PCT/JP02/00411, filed January 22, 2002, and which published as WO 02/060457 A1, accompanied by family member EP 1362594 A1.

U.S. Application No. 10/469,693 to Mikio WATANABE et al., which is a national stage of PCT/JP02/02294, filed March 12, 2002, and which published as WO 02/072531 A1, accompanied by family member EP 1378502 A1. Applicants note that an English translation has not been filed in the U.S. application as of the present time; however an English translation is being enclosed herewith.

U.S. Application No. 10/471,283 to Mikio WATANABE et al., which is a national stage of PCT/JP02/02542, filed March 18, 2002, and which published as WO 02/074835 A1.

Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the previously submitted international publications are not being resubmitted nor are they listed on the form. Moreover, the U.S. applications are not listed on the form, because they are not publications. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form PTO-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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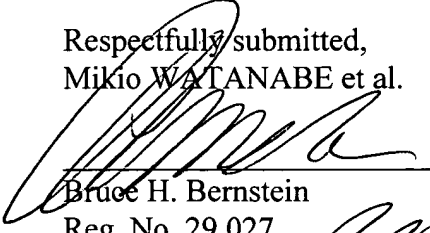
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